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TO: Iowa Medicaid Nursing Facilities

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: Change in Quality Assurance Assessment Fee (QAAF)

Effective July 1, 2015, the pass-through and assessment fee increased from \$5.26 (\$1.00 for waiver class) to \$7.13 (\$1.36 for waiver class). Providers that were notified of rate changes due to the rebase beginning July 1, 2015, included the updated amounts into their per diem rates.

The QAAF is due to the state by the 30th day following the end of each calendar quarter. As the amounts of the increased pass-through were not included in the per diem rate prior to the most recent rate notification, the QAAF amount to be remitted to the state for the quarter ended December 31, 2015, should be based on either \$5.26 or \$1.00.

The IME will review the bed day information submitted for the quarters ended September 30, 2015, and December 31, 2015. An additional amount due will be calculated using bed day information and retroactive claims adjustment for each quarter which will be invoiced to each facility and is due 30 days from the date of the invoice.

Facilities that have not received notification of their updated July 1, 2015 per diem rate including the change in the QAAF pass-through will be invoiced shortly after notification of the rebased per diem rates and retroactive claims adjustment.

If you have any questions, please contact the IME Provider Cost Audit Unit at 1-866-863-8610 or email at costaudit@dhs.state.ia.us.